



UTILITY CONTINUATION-IN-PART PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Title: "A PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR IMPROVING AND CONTROLLING THE VULCANIZATION OF NATURAL AND SYNTHETIC RUBBER COMPOUNDS"

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This is a Continuation-in-Part application of pending prior application No. 10/267,197 filed October 8, 2002, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/394,736 filed July 9, 2002. The present application also claims benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/815,342 filed March 21, 2001. The entire disclosure of these prior applications are considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

Enclosed for filing with the above-identified utility patent application, please find the following:

1. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
2. ☒ Specification (Total Pages of Text, including Abstract and Claims: 37)
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) (Total Sheets: 12) ☐ FORMAL ☒ INFORMAL
4. ☒ Return Postcard (MPEP 503) (should be specifically itemized)
5. ☒ A check in the amount of \$465.00 is enclosed.

FEE CALCULATION:

| | (COL. 1) NO. FILED | | | (COL. 2*) NO. EXTRA | SMALL ENTITY | | | LARGE ENTITY | |
|--|-----------------------|---|----|------------------------|--------------|----------|----|--------------|----------|
| | | | | | RATE | FEE | | RATE | FEE |
| BASIC FEE: | | | | | | \$375.00 | OR | | \$750.00 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS: | 30 | - | 20 | 10 | X \$9 = | \$90.00 | OR | X \$18 = | |
| INDEP. CLAIMS: | 1 | - | 3 | 0 | X \$42 = | \$0.00 | OR | X \$84 = | |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS | | | | | + \$140 = | \$0.00 | OR | +\$280 = | |
| *IF THE DIFFERENCE IN COL. 2 IS LESS THAN ZERO, ENTER "O" IN COL. 2. | | | | | TOTAL: | \$465.00 | | | |

OTHER INFORMATION:

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit any underpayments or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.
2. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge all required fees for extensions of time under §1.17 to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

3. ☒ [X] The Small Entity Statement was filed in prior application. Status is still proper and desired.

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